In 1893, Waldensian immigrants from Northern Italy chose this beautiful land on the banks of the Catawba River for their home and called it Valdese. Their entrepreneurial spirit and pride in their community can be seen throughout our town.

Today Valdese has a vibrant downtown along with innovative industries and businesses. Our elected officials, town employees and citizens strive to make this community a wonderful place to live, work and play.

Whether you are a citizen or a visitor, we hope you will explore our website to learn more about Valdese, its services and opportunities. If you’ve not yet had the pleasure of visiting Valdese, we invite you to come and make new friends, learn about our history and enjoy our many shops, restaurants and entertainment activities. If you have questions which aren’t answered here, send us an e-mail and we will be delighted to assist you.

Chip Black, Mayor